Closed all day Xmas.

# Open Evenings.

# Special Inducements In All Holiday Goods

Tonight, Tomorrow and Temorrow Night.

Going to make a clean sweep throughout all holiday lines now. The Christmas trade is practically over == that is, the bulk of it is over, and we don't want one stick or piece of Xmas goods in the house Saturday morning. Those vacant places on your list can be cheaply filled if you take our hint.

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Onyx Tables	\$4.65 to \$35.00 1
	\$3.75 to \$40
Lamp Globes	\$2 to \$9
	\$2.50 to \$50
	\$5 to \$100
	\$1.25 to \$12.50
	\$1.50 to \$20
	\$5.90 to \$250
	\$2 to \$5
Jewel Cabinets	\$27 to \$80
Couches	\$8,50 to \$65
Bookcases	\$2 to \$150
Hall Racks	\$5 to \$100
	\$9.75 to \$50
Rocking Chairs	
Table Covers	

Shaving Stands	\$2.75 to \$35
China Cases	\$8.90 to \$185
Chiffonlers	
Dressing Tables	\$10 to \$85
Brass Beds	
Cheval Glasses	
Ladies' Desks	\$3.90 to \$140
Reception Chairs	\$1.50 to \$50
Jardiniere Stands	
Tabourettes	
Ladies' Desk Chairs	\$1.50 to \$10
Office Desk Chairs	\$3.75 to \$50
Silk Sofa Pillows	\$1.50 to \$15
Morris Chairs	\$4.95 to \$25
Overstuffed Library Chi	
duroy and leather	\$6.75 to \$75
Children's Rockers-C	hildren's High Chairs
-Children's Sofas.	

At this last minute we've decided to rush goods out at any sacrifice, and will make decisive cuts throughout every line that can be classed as Xmas givables. Tonight, tomorrow and tomorrow night

- All Rockers reduced.
- All Desks reduced. All Chairs reduced.
- All Cabinets reduced.
- All Lamps reduced.
- All Onyx Tables reduced.
- All Parlor Tables reduced.
- All Easy Chairs reduced.

- All Couches reduced.
- All Tabourettes reduced.

All Screens reduced. All Book Cases reduced.

- All Hall Racks reduced.
- All Gold Furniture reduced. All Fancy Parlor Pieces reduced.
- All Shaving Stands reduced.
- All China Cases reduced.
- All Chiffoniers reduced.
- All Reed and Rattan Furniture reduced.

The prices marked on the goods will remain the same as heretofore==the salesman who waits on you will make the reductions himself.

Goods bought tomorrow night will be delivered Christmas morning.

# W. B. Moses & Sons.

F St. Corner 11th. | Storage, 22d & M. 

## Gifts worth giving== gifts that don't cost much.

Every one of them useful-pretty-pleasingeconomical. Gifts for ladies-and for men. Gifts that you can buy for small prices.

#### Toilet Articles.

HAND MIRRORS.
TRIPLE MIRRORS.
STANDING MIRRORS.
PUFF BOXES.
JEWEL BOXES.
MANICURE SETS.
MANICURE SETS.
MANICURE SETS.
INFANTS' SETS.
SHAVING MUGS AND BRUSHES.
FANCY WHISK BROOMS.
TOILET DRESSING CASES.
CELLULOID SOAP BOXES.
VELVET BRUSHES.
PLUSH COMB AND BRUSH CASES.
GENTLEMEN'S LEATHER TRAVELING
SETS.

Atomizers.

Perfume Atomizers. A beautiful gift for ladies or men. These are very handsome. 60c., 75c., \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.

#### Perfumes.

F. S. Williams & Co.

LUBIN'S EXTRACTS-all odors. ROGER & GALLET'S PERFUMES— two and three bottles in odor cases. LE GRAND'S ORIZA PERFUMES. "VIOLET DU CZAR" and other odors. CROWN PERFUMERY CO.'S "Crab Apple Blossem."
WILLIAMS' Exquisite Violet FRAGRANT PERFUMES-25c., 50c.,

#### Cut Glass Bottles.

Especially for Xmas perfumes. ornament to any lady's dresser. 75c., \$1, \$1.25, \$2 and \$2.50. About half

Temple Drug Store.

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## Mertz and Mertz. How Will Christmas Greet You?

\$ 10.97 to-cider. Black

Cheviot

Will your life be full of the world's comforts? One of the greatest of these is a well-supplied wardrobe-and let us ask you if a new Suit is needed there. It should not be with such an extraordinary chance as this week's Extra Sale of Black Cheviot Suits accords you. They are, indeed, remarkably rare values-values that you could only hope to find at Mertz and Mertz's. Treat yourself to one of Suits, them and you'll feel Christmas that you've served yourself nobly.

nificent line of New, Fancy Waistcoatings that

Mertz and Mertz,

906 F Street N. W.

### CHRISTMAS GREENS

Displays Made by the Venders in the

HOLLY AND MISTLETOE ABUNDANT

Provisions for the Annual Feast and Moving Spectacles.

SCENES AND INCIDENTS

If anybody is at all skeptical that Christmas is near at hand, a trip through the markets will prove conclusively that Santa Claus' annual visitation time is really only a day and a half distant. It is in the markets that the ideal Christmas spirit prevails. It is true, people find it necessary to eat in all seasons of the year, but the housekeeper who intends to keep Christmas scrupulously does not fail to lay in a plentiful supply of provisions for the Christmas dinner. Christmas and good cheer, both of heart and stomach, go together, so it is not surprising that the markets just now present scenes of moving spectacles.

Washington just now appears to be the center of the sale of greens of all kinds. They are plentiful in the suburbs of the city and its environments, and the colored population pick up many an honest penny at Christinas time by going down about Mount Vernon, Marshall Hall, River View and other places and cutting the holly and the mistletoe and bringing them to the Washington market

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"Hyah's yo' holly and mistletoe. Only 25 cents a bunch for the holly. Young lady, dean't fergit ter take a sprig of the mistletoe home. Yo' lovah'll be lookin' out for it. Yo' sutinly would look sweet standin' under the mistletoe." dah the mistletoe."

This appeal from the vender seldom fails

to sell a sprig of the pale green stuff, with the waxen berries. It is no easy task, by the way, to gather the mistletoe, as it grows gonerally on large trees, high up from the ground.

The holly is much more easily gathered.

It grows principally in swampy places, and little climbing has to be done to secure it. With its waxen leaves and red berries, it makes a splendid object for decorative pur-

poses.
The little park on Market Space was nearly surrounded this morning with sellers of the holiday emblems. There were some of the Italian tutti-frutti and candy sellers left, but they appeared as if their occupations were gone.

Discouraged at the Prospect.

"Ah! No-a," one of them said, with an expressive shrug of the shoulders, "beezaness mighty bad. Me sella notin' fer many days. De peop' dey chase-a de fat duck, de turk', de chick, an' do fat-a de peeg. Dey buy-a de little trees. Beezaness ver' bad, ver' bad."
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When he had delivered himself of this discourse he rolled his eyes in disgust at a trio, which just then passed his push-cart. The trio consisted evidently of mother and two children, boy and girl. The youngster was clearly matched, as to weight and age, with a large, fine turkey. If it had not been that the turkey had not lost its head, and the boy had a half Nelson on it, the prospects are the bird would have gained the first fall. the first fall.

The little girl had a Christmas tree, just about her own size, which she carried proudly in her arms. It would have taken no little moral suasion, coupled with considerable physical force, to separate the two newly-found friends—the little g:rl and the tree. The mother had a small pro-vision store in her arms, carried her purse vision store in her arms, carried her purse in her mouth, and wore glasses; but in spite of this handlcap managed to control the movements of the two children, pick out what she wanted from the stalls, haggle about the price, make the purchases. She did it all with neatness and dispatch. It was an undoubted triumph of mind over matter. It would have made a picture with the name "How to do Christmas Marwith the name "How to do Christmas Mar-keting Without the Aid of a Drag-net." Perhaps it was not done intentionally, but when three extremely gawky-looking countrymen, certainly on their first visit to the capital, passed by the holly and mistle-toe vendors, one of the latter shouted out: "Hyah's yo' Christmas greens, in bunch-

es."

A smile went up from the marketers, and the countrymen looked conscious.

One most conspicuous feature of the market stalls is the Christmas rabbit, with its inseparable companion, a bunch of celery.
Apparently there have been thousands of little bunnies slaughtered to make a Wash-

ington holiday dinner.

A fat woman this morning had bought one of the rabbits and was moving grandly one of the rabbits and was moving grandly down the expanse of the sidewalk leaving frailer wrecks in her wake. Her hands were full of all sorts of bundles and packages, and it was a wonder that the body of the ratbit managed to stick there as long as it did. Suddenly it shot downward and the lady of avoirdupois nearly had an apoplectic fit. A sympathetic passerby stooped and nicked up the rabbit for her. and picked up the rabbit for her.
"Oh! My goodness," she said, her face shining with gratitude and thankfulness,

"I thought that fool rabbit had come life again. It gave me such a shock." Do Their Own Shapping. It is a well-known fact that some of the most prominent people in Washington so

cial and official circles do their own shopping. Ladies who are noted for their hospitality and for the excellence of their table viands, can be seen in the markets selecting and buying their store of provisions for the Christmas dinner. An aristocratic-looking old lady, with a face as clean cut as the profile of a cameo, was seen this morning, in one of the markets, examining the stock of vegetables with a critical eye. She rubbed elbows with a dowdy-looking old woman, with red face and a shawl over her shoulders but did not reshaulters. old woman, with red face and a shawl over her shoulders, but did not seem to fear contamination. She was buying some poul-try, when the old Irish woman, who had been watching her, put a hand on the

ady's arm.
"Excoose me, loidy," she said, "but if yez won't t'ink I'm introodin', let me show yez how to pick out a folne burrd. I used to raise fowls meself, an' I know what is

best wid them."

Then she carefully explained how to tell whether a fowl is young or not, and gave other points of no little value. This was received by the aristocratic-looking lady with not a trace of amusement.

"I thank you very much," she said, "for taking the trouble to give me such valuable information. I'm sure it will help me greatly hereafter."

She smiled sweetly and said "good-bye"

in a manner that made the other declare to the bystanders, after the object of her in-terest had walked away: "An' it's the foine loidy she is, indade, and that's no mishtake. She is wan of the quality, she is, an' it's meself that knows

The high-bred lady was undoubtedly

semebody of consequence, for she had a footman, dressed in most stylish livery, accompanying her and taking care of her

Speaking Countenances. The expectation and interest depicted on

the countenance of an old colored man who had spied a fat 'possum lying on a table, with a half bushel of sweet potatoes near by, by a strange coincidence was equaled by another sight. It was that of a fat boy, who had evidently planned a trip through who had evidently planned a trip through the market for the soic idea of feasting his eyes on the trophies of the gardener and hunter displayed in the stalls. His eyes were stretched to the utmost, and his lips were already puckered with the thought of how he would enjoy the Christmas dinner prepared from the stuff he saw there.

While the markets may not be, strictly speaking, Santa Claus' headquarters, they certainly form the chief annex.

Wellman Buys Boat for the Arctic. A dispatch from Christiania says Walter Wellman, who is well known in Washington as a newspaper correspondent and an arctic explorer, has bought at Tromso the sealer Laura, a vessel of 153 tons, for the expedition which he will lead to Franz Josef Land in June. Nine men, chiefly Norweg-ians, will accompany him.

For a description of a charming hotel—the Hotel Empire, New York, appears on page 14,

.9ff "Credit without cost."

Only one more day now till Christmas, and that shall be a remarkable one. Such flashing bargains await your pleasure, such enormous values at trifling prices! To celebrate the occasion we will make a Christmas present

### Eiderdown Dressing Sacque absolutely free

to every purchaser of a coat tomorrow. Our house will be closed all day Christmas to allow our employes full enjoyment of the holi-

Black Kersey Conts, well made, fly front, flap pockets, high storm collar, piped velvet seams-an \$8

CHALLENGE \$5.49

Saltz's Fine Silk Plush Capes, full 30 inches—full sweep, lined with satin, well made, collar and front edged with thibet fur-

CHALLENGE \$12.98

lined throughout with fancy silk, full sweep, storm collar-\$9 value.

CHALLENGE \$5.98

Fine Tan Irish Frieze Ceat, high storm collar, flap pockets, fly front, with piped bound velvet seams-

CHALLENGE \$7.98

Saltz's Plush Capes, full sweep, well lined, high storm collar—front edged with thibet fur-a \$5 value.

CHALLENGE \$2.98

hades - paragon framefancy handles-\$3.50 value. CHALLENGE \$1.98

All-silk Umbrellas-in all

Black and Tan Sponged Kersey Coats-made in the latest style - lined with fancy satin-roll cellarflap pockets-stitched seams. Regular \$12.50

CHAILENGE SALE PRICE-\$10

high storm collar — full sweep — lined throughout with fancy silk. Regular \$6

CHALLENGE \$3.75

Fine Electric Seal Muffslined throughout with quality.

CHALLENGE 98c SALE PRICE-

Ladies' Black Brilliantine and Sicillan Cloth Waistsfull front-yele back-lined throughout-elegantly made. Regular \$3.00 quality.

CHALLENGE \$1.98

One rack full of Figured Brilliantine Skirtsfull 4 yards wide-lined throughout with percaline, velvet bound, in various patterns. Regular \$2

quality. CHALLENGE \$1.28

Heavy Taffeta Silk Underskirts, in all the latest shades-black and two-tons effects — elegantly madewith 7 corded Spanish ruf-

CHALLENGE \$5.98

## New York Clothing House. 311 Seventh 311

Lansburgh & Bro., December 22, 1897.

Owing to the great rush of business prior to Christmas, we are absolutely forced to discontinue the redeeming of Trading Stamps until the week beginning December 27.

Open Until 10:30 Tonight.

Our store is filled with sensible and practical merchandise for holiday presentation. Our people will suggest things to you if you are in a quandary what to buy. We have things suitable for man, woman or child. We box all articles intended for holiday presentation. Do not charge for stamping pocket books, bill books or satchels which sell for \$1.00 or more. We gratuitously engrave initials on jewelry and umbrellas.

Our salespeople have positive instructions not to bore you. The freedom of the store is yours, to come and look around. If anything strikes your fancy, buy it.

Of Ladies' Liberty Silk and Chiffon Boas, just in today.

\$2.68

Buys the choice of one of these.

> In Silk and Linen.

Handkerchiefs

Of Ladies' Silk Underskirts From \$5 Up. Satteen Skirts...... 98c. Worsted Skirts......\$1.48 Tea Gowns.....\$1.98

A Fine Line

We have the plain ones, we have the embroidered ones. We have the initial ones for men, women and children.

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#### Gold Watches -14 and 18k .- for ladies, \$25 and upward-for men, full size,

latest styles, as low as \$35. Diamond Rings, real brilliants, \$5—Brooches, \$10—Pendants, \$20, respectively, and upward. TOMEN'S STERLING, SILVER WATCHES, \$10 and upward. Galt & Bro.,

1107 Penn. Avenue. カネネネネネネネネネネネネス Open Evenings. ft

Rare Bargains For Buyers of Xmas Gifts.

SAKS FUR CO., Cor. 13th and G Streets.

FCR ANY CASE OF NERVOUSNESS, SLEEP-lessness, weak stomach, indigestion, dyspepsia, try Carter's Little Nerve Pills. Rollef is sure. The only nerve medicine for the price in market. No Christmas end N'w Year's table should be without a bottle of DR. SIEGERT'S ANGOSTURA BITTERS, the world renowned appetiser of exquisite flavor. Beware of imitations. We Have Every

Dainty You Wish for Xmas. 81bs. New Mixed Nuts.\$1 All kinds of Select Table Nuts-Shelled Nuts-Salted Almonds and Peanuts-Prin-cess Paper Shell Almonds. 8 lbs. Mixed Candies. \$1 Ridley's, Whitman's, Lowney's and Huyler's Famous Confections. All kinds of CONSERVES.

Choice Fruits. Lady Apples, Tangerine Oranges, Pitted Raistns, Cleaned Currants, Citron, Indian River Oranges, Malaga Grapes, Figs, Dates, etc. Fruit Cake, Etc.

Best Home-made Fruit Cake-Mine Meat - and Fluin Puddings. The kind you've been looking for-for Xmas dessert.

Delicacies and Wines. Bar-le-Duc Jellies — Call's Foot Jelly —
Maraschino Cherries—Brandy Peaches and
Pears—Stuffed Prunes—Cheese Straws—Vanilla Wafers—Ginger Wafers.

17 All kinds of rare old Wines. Brandles,
Cordials, Champagnes and Whiskies at lowcest N. Y. prices.

17 Just received 150 barrels of Bryan's
Famous "PRIDE" FLOUR.

**HUMORS OF ALL KINDS** 

Cured by Cuticura Soap and the akin made pure and the skin made white. All druggious white. All druggious

The Busy Corner,

# The Busy Corner, S. Kann, Sons & Co.

Chance will be tomorrow for you to buy your Holi-

day Wares and for us to close them out. A mutual transaction which is bound to benefit us both. It took out buyers several hours last night to mark down such goods that were doomed to go in this Christmas push. And the last day shoppers will

## Christmas Furs

have things very much their own way.

For Ladies, Misses and Children.

All our Misses' and Children's Fur Sets, such as Beaver, Opossum, Ermine and White Lamb, which were \$2.50, \$1.98 and \$1.48..... Ladies' Electric Seal Muffs, which were

\$2.50 and \$1.98..... THESE ARE STRICTLY FIRST-CLASS GOODS AND WARRANTED PERF

Children's Rain Coats, ages 3 to 14 yearsare perfect goods. Were \$1.00..... Ladies' Fine Mackintoshes, in Blue and Tan Cloth, with either plaid

or check backs-single or double capes, with or without velvet collars, Were \$7.50 and \$5.00. \$9.98 AND \$4.98

### Silk Tea Gowns and Robes.

Our entire line of Fine Silk Tea Gowns, which were \$7.50 

# Toys! Toys!!

Every Toy in the house has been marked down to half price-Iro Toys, Mechanical Toys-Paper-Mache Toys-Tin Toys-Wooden Toy -everything that comes under the name of Toy has been cut to half.

Fine Silk Dress and Skirt Patterns Have also received an extra cut in prices. They make very appropriate

presents-all prices-put up in single boxes. Satin Covered Pin Cushions, in all shapes and colors, including the largest sizes.....

Fine All-silk Satin and Gros Grain Brocade Dress Skirts-the most elaborate patterns seen this season, lined throughout with the finest quality taffeta silk, deep ruffles of the same, perfect fitting. If you invested \$25 you could not get any better value. \$12.9

Whatever we have left on hand are to go. The prices are madeand yet we'll allow an extra discount to schools and Sunday schools. All clean and instructive works for the folks.

Sterling silver ware, fine jewelry and leather goods. Go where you please and look where you may, you'll not find the assortment we are showing.

#### EVERYTHING YOU BUY IN THESE DEPTS, WILL BE ENGRAVED FREE, Dolls.

We told you of our Doll stock yesterday-how pretty and cheap they were. We never exaggerated a single word. Everybody said we are giving the best values in town. We continue the same prices for to-

#### **Smoking Jackets**

and Hand-knit Cardigans-the most appropriate present any wife could buy. We are still selling \$5.50 and \$7.00 Men's Smoking Jackets, in all colors, at

\$3.98 & \$4.76.

Men's Fine Hand-knit Cardigan Jackets at \$1.19, \$1.39, \$1.98 & \$2.50.

### -Every one worth double.

HANDKERCHIEFS No matter how cheap or how expensive, we can supply you. Our stock at this writing represents more than 2,000 dozens-5c., 7c., 10c., 121c., 19c. and 25c. ones seem to have the lead—the 39c. and 50c. grade are good seconds—the still finer qualities are selling better than v ever seen them sell.

COTTON HOSE, LISLE HOSE, SILK PLAITED HOSE AND PURE SILK HOSE, FOR BOTH MEN AND WOMEN. COME IN PLAIN BLACK BOOT PATTERNS, STRIPES AND PLAIDS-25c., 39c. & 49c.

ARE VERY POPULAR PRICES FOR NICE SHOWY GOODS. OUR VERY FINEST GRADES ARE \$1.50, \$1.98 AND \$2.50 A PAIR. AS MANY PAIRS AS YOU WISH, PUT IN SINGLE BOXES

# Perfumes.

This is the most fragrant spot in our house-it couldn't be otherwise. The line of delicate French Extracts we keep diffuses the most delightful odors. Our special line of Holiday Extracts, in fancy Bottles, Atomizers, Hand Glasses, Comb and Brush Sets, Fancy Soaps and general Druggists' Sundries keep us on the go. This department is like good old wines, improving with age.

# Aprons

And Fancy Worsted Hand-knit Slippers, with lamb's wool soles. The stock is so large in these two lines that we were compelled to make two departments-one on the first floor-near the elevator-and the other in our Ladies' Muslin Underwear department, 2d floor. Aprons for 10c., 15c., 25c., 39c., 49c. and from that up to 98c.

# Umbrellas.

Don't forget your Umbrellas. We have made special preparations and have some of the best plums still left—no matter what price umbrella you buy, the engraving will cost you nothing. YOU WILL FIND US OPEN UNTIL 11 O'CLOCK TONIGHT. THEREFORE THESE BAR-GAINS TAKE EFFECT AFTER THE ISSUE OF THIS PAPER THIS EVENING.

# S. KANN, SONS & CO.,

CLOSED ALL DAY ON CHRISTMAS.

Seventh St. Entrance, Family Shoe Store.

8th St. and Market Space.